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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Richard GRIFFITHS et al.

Serial No. 08/973,363

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TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
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AVIAN CHD GENES AND THEIR USE IN
METHODS FOR SEX IDENTIFICATION IN
BIRDS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 1, 2000, the time for responding thereto
being extended for two months in accordance with a petition for extension submitted
concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claim 50 as follows:

59. (Amended) An avian CHD-protein, fragment thereof or a polypeptide containing a
product of the CHD-gene [of] or part thereof, or a CHD-mimotope protein, fragment thereof or a
CHD-mimotope polypeptide which is derived or derivable from the isolated nucleotide sequence
of claim 34 or 35.